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## **KC MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO ENTICING MINOR TO ENGAGE IN SEXUAL ACTIVITY**

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man pleaded guilty in federal court today to using the Internet to entice a minor to engage in sexual activity.

**Mark R. Oxley**, 34, of Kansas City, who uses the screen name “WildPartyBoy69,” pleaded guilty before U.S. District Judge Ortrie D. Smith this afternoon to enticing a minor to engage in sexual activity.

By pleading guilty, **Oxley** admitted that he used an Internet chat room between June 24 and July 19, 2004, to entice an individual under the age of 18 to engage in sexual activity for which a person could be charged with a criminal offense, that is, the felony of attempted statutory rape.

During the course of his online chats, **Oxley** contacted another user who had the screen name “Jennifer\_from\_kc,” who was actually an undercover Platte County, Mo., Sheriff’s Department Deputy. “Jennifer” identified herself as a 14-year-old female to **Oxley**. Early in the online conversation, **Oxley** directed the topic to sex and suggested meeting with “Jennifer.” He suggested that they take a car ride and get drunk together and engage in sexual activity.

On July 14, 2004, **Oxley** again communicated with “Jennifer” and requested that she send him a picture of herself. The officer sent **Oxley** a computer-generated depiction of a 14-year-old girl (not an actual girl).

**Oxley** later proposed visiting “Jennifer” for sex and agreed to bring condoms for the encounter. The meeting was to take place on July 19, 2004, but when **Oxley** arrived at the apartment to meet “Jennifer,” he was arrested by Platte County deputies. Upon conducting a search of **Oxley**, the officers discovered two unopened condoms and lubricant in his possession.

By pleading guilty, **Oxley** also agreed to forfeit to the government any property used to commit the offense, including a Gateway 2000 desktop computer tower.

Under federal law, Graves explained, **Oxley** could be subject to a mandatory minimum sentence of five years in federal prison without parole up to 30 years in federal prison without parole, plus a fine of \$250,000. A sentencing hearing will be scheduled after the completion of a presentence investigation by the United States Probation Office.

**Oxley** was originally charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury on Sept. 10, 2004, in Kansas City.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney John E. Cowles. It was investigated by the Platte County, Mo., Sheriff's Department.

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